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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Lan et al.

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Serial No.: 10/539,396

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For: Thermostable alpha-amylases

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks and arguments** begin on page 6 of this document.

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